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# The Pointer

March 2017

*Laissez Les Bons Temps Rouler!*



## Upcoming Events

- Cypremort Sipper's Mardi Gras Parade, Saturday, February 25, 2017, at 1:00 P.M.
- Spring Series Race #1, Saturday, March 11, 2017.
- March Social, Saturday, March 11, 2017, at 6:00 P.M.
- Spring Series Race #2, Saturday, March 25, 2017.

## From the Commodore by Butch Nolan

Hello Cypremort Yacht Club!

Spring is only a few weeks away and the temperature is warming up. Time for the boating season to begin at the point. Let's get those boat projects wrapped up for the spring racing series! Please come out and participate in the races. It is a really laid back program and everyone has a great time. Crews are always needed so check our club calendar on our website, or contact Bill Whitehead (wrwhitehead@juno.com) for information. You can also show up on race day and volunteer to crew! It is by bringing friends and acquaintances to the point and introducing them to sailing and boating that our club will continue to grow.

A special thanks to Richard Legnon and his crew for doing an outstanding job on the club's bay front bulkhead. He finished the pro-

ject ahead of schedule and on budget. We will be planting grass along the bulkhead shortly. Limestone will also be added near the lighthouse to increase the parking area for those using the launch ramp.

At February's board meeting we discussed some items around the facility that need some attention, so Abby Lester will be setting up a work day in March to address these items. If you can paint, clean or have some carpentry skills, please volunteer by showing up at the work party and lending a hand. After all, this is your club and we need your help in keeping it looking nice and functioning properly.

As always, we would love to increase our membership. If you know of anyone that would be interested in joining, please introduce them to the club by bringing

them to a race, social or other club function.

We are always looking to improve the club, so if you have any ideas about improvements to our facilities or you have an event that you would like to have at the club, please feel free to contact me at breakwater@bellsouth.net.

Looking forward to seeing you at the club!!

## March Social by Johnny Beyt

The first social of the year will be held on Saturday, March 11, 2017, at 6:00 P.M. Menu for the evening meal will be a fish courtbouillion, potato salad, planter's punch or wine and dessert. Cost will be \$10.00 per person.

Kindly RSVP by responding to this email with number of people that will be attending so the cook can prepare accordingly.

I am looking for cooks to host a meal for one of the monthly socials. It really isn't that difficult. All you

have to do is to double or triple one of your favorite recipes. Anyone interested in hosting a social can either respond to this email or contact me directly at:

Johnnybeyt@aol.com

Hope to see you there!!



## Membership News by John Conner

The current membership in good standing is 120.

Every member should have received their 2017 membership card in the first quarter billing. If you haven't received your card, please contact me.

Please note that the broadcast emails sent to the members

contain the email addresses of all active members and some past members. You can reference these addresses to contact fellow members.

If anyone has a change in their email address, phone number or mailing address, please send it to me to up-

date our files so you can receive newsletters and notices.

You can address any questions you may have about your membership, membership card, access key, etc., by contacting me at the following e-mail address:

john.conner@lusfiber.net

## Racing News by Bill Whitehead

With the new year we are looking forward to a full racing and sailing calendar. All of the 2017 race and regatta dates have been placed on the Events calendar which can be accessed from the top of the [www.cypremort.com](http://www.cypremort.com) website's main screen.

The Rosemary Lucas Cup Series of spring races kicks off on Saturday, March 11 with skipper's meeting at 10:00 am and the race at 11:00 am. Five races are scheduled extending into May. CYC members sail a variety of different size fixed keel cruising sailboats in this series. A handicap rating is assigned to each sailboat in

an effort to adjust for performance differences. The various sailboats race over a measured course and record their elapsed time from start to finish. The handicap rating provides a time allowance measured in seconds per mile which is added to the boat's elapsed time to arrive at corrected time. GYA administers the handicap rating system based on known measurements and actual race results. This system is known as the Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (PHRF) and each participating skipper requests a PHRF Certificate with a rating for his/her sailboat.

Winning an individual race is exciting, however, the series winner is determined by a boat's performance over a number of races. The scoring rules favor a skipper who shows up, races and finishes. When you miss a race, you are assigned a finishing place at the back of the fleet, thus making it difficult to climb back into contention. Consistently showing up and racing can be a major factor in winning the series, so be sure to come out and participate in all five races in the series.

## Sunfish Racing Program by Bill Whitehead

Sunfish Sailing Camp—July 14-16, 2017. Summer is going to be here before you know it so check with your children and/or grandchildren to see if they will be available to participate in the Sunfish Sailing Camp, scheduled for Friday, July 14 through Sunday, July 16. It's a blast and they really

learn how to sail. We have space for 20 juniors, ages 8 to 15 years. Kids can attend the camp more than once, which is recommended to continue to learn and build skills through experience, particularly as wind/weather conditions vary from one year to the next. Teenage sailors who have

attended the camp previously are invited to return to help us with on-water instruction.

Contact me for more info and to register for the camp. [williamwhitehead@gmail.com](mailto:williamwhitehead@gmail.com) or #337-541-4238 (cellphone or text)

### BOATS FOR SALE:

1998 19' Alerion Express Catboat, rare, only 38 made, Carbon fiber mast that roller furls mainsail, new mainsail, mast raising crane on factory trailer for single handed mast raising, kickup center board and rudder, made with Scrimp technology. Large cockpit, varnished cockpit tale, extra 36' Carbon fiber mast, 5 hp like new ob. Easy to sail, seats 6-8 people. For pictures and more info contact :

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## House and Grounds by Abby Lester

We are pleased to announce that the bulkhead repair has been completed. Now all we need to do is to haul some additional dirt and plant some grass, which should be done in the foreseeable future.

With spring quickly approaching, we plan to schedule a work day to address some minor repairs, painting, cleaning and general sprucing up around the clubhouse and grounds. Once we have decided on a date, a notice will be sent out to the membership and hope that you will consider coming out to lend your assistance.

Thanks again to the membership for their cooperation with the drinks in the refrigerator.

Also, we are finding that members are forgetting to lock the ramp after they have launched or retrieved. Please help us protect our ramp from unauthorized use and possible damage from overweight boats using the ramp when the chain is not locked in place and no one is there to stop such abuse by making certain that you lock the ramp after each use. Keep in mind that we have a weight limit on our ramp and use by an overweight boat

could collapse our ramp.

You can address any house and ground or maintenance issues to me at:

[wazzarunner@yahoo.com](mailto:wazzarunner@yahoo.com)

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO ABIDE BY THE 10 MPH SPEED LIMIT WHEN DRIVING IN THE MARINA. ALSO, REMEMBER THAT YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR GUESTS, SO ADVISE THEM OF THE SPEED LIMIT AS WELL.**